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In re Application of

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For: METHOD FOR MINIMIZING PIRATING AND/OR UNAUTHORIZED COPYING AND/OR UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS OF/TO DATA ON/FROM DATA MEDIA INCLUDING COMPACT DISCS AND DIGITAL VERSATILE DISCS, AND SYSTEM AND DATA MEDIA FOR SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98, it is requested that the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record.

Some of the following prior art were cited in corresponding PCT Applications and cited and characterized in the International Search Reports dated 22 July 1999, 02 September 1999, 09 September 1999, and 07 October 1999. No further elaboration is believed necessary.

It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the U.S. filing date OR before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

Copies of the prior art and search report are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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